

NExTNAS-CNS Workshop

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***NASA Exploratory Technologies for the NAS
Communications/Navigation/Surveillance Technologies
Research and Development***

Workshop Overview and Objectives

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NASA Exploratory Technologies for the NAS



NASA's NExTNAS Initiative:

Develop and demonstrate NASA exploratory technologies for the National Airspace System to meet projected growth in passenger demand beyond 2010

With the NExTNAS-CNS Project, NASA is responding to

- recommendations from the US Aerospace Commission,***
- the US aviation community (ICNS 2001, 2002, 2003),***
- and studies and analyses that***

demonstrate the need for an advanced CNS infrastructure to address system deficiencies and support the transition to the future NAS.



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NASA's Airspace Systems Program:

Enable major increases in the capacity and mobility of the air transportation system through development of revolutionary concepts for operations & vehicle systems



The NExTNAS Initiative:

Develop technologies, procedures, and information infrastructure to enable further system capacity/throughput improvements





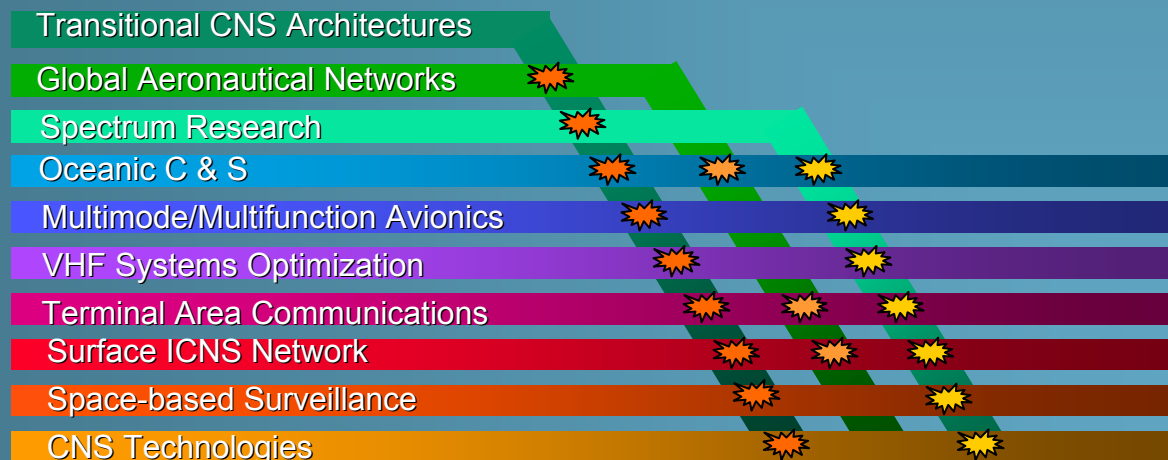
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The NExTNAS-CNS Project:

Initiate the transition of today's CNS systems into a high-performance network-centric digital infrastructure to support the transformation of the National Airspace System





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NExTNAS-CNS Planning Activities

- *Time constrained compared to a typical project (we were expecting an FY 05 start)*
- *But previous work in several projects has provided a lot of information to build upon, such as requirements analyses, architecture studies, etc*

AATT – Advanced Communications for Air Traffic Management; AvSP – Weather Information Communications; VAMS – CNS Modeling; SATS – Airborne Internet

- *Three Integrated CNS Conferences and Workshops (2001, 2002, and 2003) have provided significant inputs*



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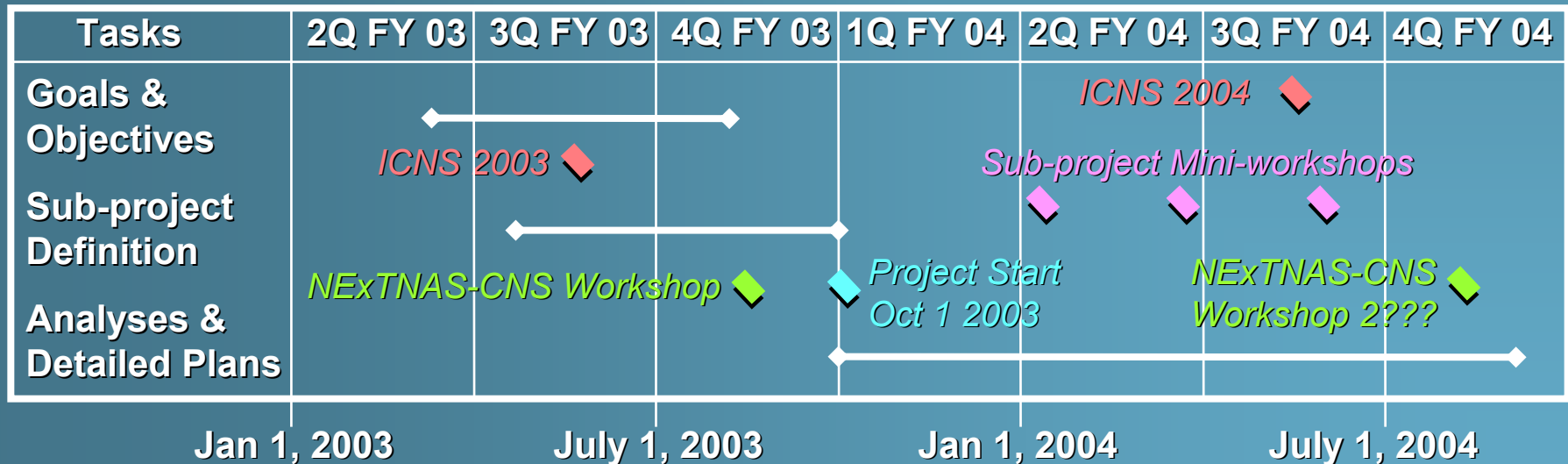
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NExTNAS-CNS Planning Activities

The NExTNAS-CNS Project being presented today is the culmination of these inputs, but is also a work-in-progress

Today's workshop is a continuation of the planning effort





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NExTNAS-CNS Workshop Objectives:

- *Present background of the NASA Airspace Systems Program and overviews of relevant FAA initiatives*
- *Present an overview of the current NExTNAS-CNS Project plan*
- *Gather input from the aviation community*
 - *Comments and suggestions on plan content*
 - *Inputs on approach, outputs, etc*
- *Present and identify opportunities for participation*
 - *Stimulate collaboration, partnerships, and other potential future relationships (contractual and otherwise)*